Amendment to the Specification

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 15, line 10 of the specification as follows:

Total RNA was prepared using Trizol reagents (GIBCO/BRL) according to the manufacturer's protocol. Briefly, artery samples were homogenized in Trizol reagent. RNA was precipitated with ethanol (EtOH), washed in cold 75% EtOH three times, dried and resuspended in RNAse-free TE buffer. PCR for the p21 gene was performed (Muller et al, 1994, Circ Res. 75:1039-1049) in the presence or absence of reverse transcriptase (RT) with the primers: 5'-GAG ACA CCA CTG GAG GGT GAC TTC G-3' (sense) SEQ ID NO: 1; and 5'-GGG CAA ACA ACA GAT GGC TGG CAA C-3' (antisense) SEQ ID NO: 2. The antisense primer was specific for recombinant p21 RNA and not endogenous porcine p21 RNA.

Remarks

Applicant requests entry of the above amendment to the specification. The amendment is made to label two primer sequences as SEQ ID NO: 1 and SEQ ID NO: 2 and contains no new matter. In addition, Applicant requests entry of the sequence listing originally submitted on June 21, 2002 into the specification. An paper copy of the sequence listing originally submitted on June 21, 2002 is included.